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1. The barracks at Dvory where this regiment is stationed, consists of a two-story staff building, 20 by 30m; an W-shaped main building, 50 by 50 m; four quarters for enlisted men with four rooms each and space for 20 men in each room, 12 by 40 m; four barracks of 12 by 50 m, each with 10 rooms, each room with space for 20 men; a kitchen; a dining hall; a guardhouse, 10 by 15 m; a depot for weapons, clothing and food; a technical magazine; a hospital; a one-story garage, 20 by 70 m; a garage 10 by 40 m.
2. [REDACTED] During the summer of 1953 the regiment had 2,300 men. They wear black shoulder boards with a red border. Three-quarters of the men belong to the classes of 1930 to 1932, the remainder to those of 1928 to 1930. The regiment spent all summer 1953 in camp.
3. The commander is staff Captain Karel Dusil, a Communist Party member who was a staff sergeant in the old army, 45 years old. The adjutant is 1st Lt. Ivan Schmida, 32 years old.
4. Regimental troops include a communications company; an accompanying battery of four 76.2 mm guns; a mortar company with four 120 mm mortars and six 82mm mortars; a reconnaissance company; a technical company; and a motorized machine-gun company.

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5. There are five battalions. The 1st Battalion is a replacement battalion set up only during the summer, to which reservists were detailed for refresher training during the summer of 1953. The 2nd, 3rd and 4th Battalions are regular battalions, each with three rifle companies and a machine gun company, each company having 80 to 100 men. The machine gun company has 12 Skoda machine guns; the rifle companies are armed with 40 Skoda, Soviet-type rifles, 10 long-range sniper rifles, 35 machine-pistols and four light machine guns. Commander of the 3rd Battalion is 1st Lt. Dimitrov Kozel, 36 years old, a heavy drinker, who is hated by the political officer, but is protected by the fact that he is an active Communist. The 5th Battalion is a reserve unit which is called into existence only in the summer and for training.
6. The regiment has 13 to 15 passenger cars and 47 to 50 various trucks. Only the heavy weapons units have full motor equipment.

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